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SUBJECT: NATO CEP: CIVIL COMMUNICATIONS PLANNING
COMITTEE (CCPC) MEETING MARCH 29-31, 1978
REFS: (A) USNATO 1335; (B) USNATO 1932; (C) STATE 070699
US POSITIONS FOR CCPC MEETING MAR 29-31 FOLLOW
KEYED TO AGENDA ITEMS GIVEN IN AC/121-A/48.

ITEM I - DECISIONS OF THE SCEPC OF INTEREST TO THE CCPC:

NO US POSITION IS REQUIRED.

ITEM II - PROCEEDINGS OF OTHER COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS
BODIES IN NATO:
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NO US POSITION IS REQUIRED AS THIS AGENDA ITEM CONSISTS
OF A REPORT BY THE CCPC ADVISER ON ACTIONS TAKEN BY
OTHER COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS BODIES IN NATO WHICH
MAY BE OF INTEREST TO, OR RELATE TO THE ACTIVITIES
OF, THE CCPC.

ITEM III - READINESS OF NCWAS; SURVIVABILITY OF
COMMUNICATIONS ACCESSES:

NO US POSITION IS REQUIRED ON THIS AGENDA ITEM, WHICH

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CONSISTS OF A REPORT BY THE CCPC ADVISER ON INFORMATION
THAT NATIONS HOSTING NATO CIVIL WARTIME AGENCIES (NCWA'S)
WERE TO PROVIDE ON THE SURVIVABILITY OF THE COMMUNICATIONS
LINKS SERVING THEIR NCWA'S. FYI: DATA ON US NCWA'S
WAS PROVIDED BY LETTER (CLASSIFIED SECRET) FROM D. KRAFT,
OTP, TO R. GRIFFITH, USNATO, DATED FEBRUARY 2, 1978.

ITEM IV - REVISION AND MODERNIZATION OF THE CCPC AGREED
PLANS AND THEIR QUESTIONNAIRES:

US REP SHOULD BE GUIDED BY OUR POSITION OF LAST OCTOBER,
STATED UNDER ITEM V IN (77) STATE 2540096, 220140 OCT 77.

BACKGROUND:

IN A CONTINUING EFFORT TO REVISE THE AGREED PLANS AND
THEIR QUESTIONNAIRES, THE CCPC WORKING GROUP HAS HELD
THREE MEETINGS SINCE THE OCTOBER 1977 CCPC SESSION.
THE RESULT OF THIS EFFORT, DOCUMENT AC/121-D/604
(REVISED), WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF THIS AGENDA ITEM.
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THE DOCUMENT HAS NOT YET BEEN RECEIVED IN WASHINGTON.
BOTH THE US AND CANADA WERE CONCERNED THAT AN
UNQUALIFIED AGREEMENT TO THE PREVIOUS VERSION OF
AC/121-D/604 WOULD COMMIT THEM TO COURSES OF ACTION
THAT MIGHT NOT BE ACHIEVEABLE BECAUSE OF THE PRIVATE
OWNERSHIP OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES IN BOTH
COUNTRIES. CONSEQUENTLY, THESE CONCERNS WERE MADE
A MATTER OF RECORD IN PARA 10(6), AC/121-DS/47.
FYI: THE CANADIAN REP, MC KAY, ATTENDED THE JANUARY
MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP AND CONSULTATION WITH
HIM PRIOR TO DISCUSSION OF THIS AGENDA ITEM MAY PROVE
BENEFICIAL. REVIEW OF THE REPORT ON THIS SUBJECT CONTAINED
IN MISSION AIRGRAM A-383, SUBJ: CEP: CIVIL COMMUNICATIONS
PLANNING COMMITTEE (CCPC) MEETING OCTOBER 24-26, 1977,
DATED OCTOBER 31, 1977, WOULD ASSIST IN PREPARING FOR
THIS AGENDA ITEM.

ITEM V - PROTECTION AGAINST EMP:

NO US POSITION IS REQUIRED. THIS AGENDA ITEM WILL CONSIST
OF A PRESENTATION BY CAPTAIN ISENBARTH, US DEFENSE
NUCLEAR AGENCY. FYI: THE PERMANENT US REP TO THE CCPC

WAS NOT INVOLVED IN ARRANGING THIS AGENDA ITEM, WHICH IS THE RESULT OF COORDINATION BETWEEN THE CCPC ADVISER AND SHAPE.

ITEM VI - ACTIVITIES OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS ORGANIZATIONS:

NO US POSITION IS REQUIRED.

ITEM VII - FUTURE ACTIVITIES OF THE CCPC. US REP SHOULD AGREE TO AC/121-WP/128 (2ND REVISE) WHICH WILL BE DISCUSSED. FYI: THE REVISED WORKING PAPER, PREPARED BY THE UK, CHANGES THE FORMAT RATHER THAN THE SUBSTANCE OF THE EARLIER VERSION.
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ITEM VIII - RAPID REINFORCEMENT CONCEPT: US REP SHOULD NOTE THE STATEMENT BY THE ACTING DIRECTOR, CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING.

ITEM IX - DATES OF NEXT MEETING:

US REP SHOULD ACCEPT THE CHAIRMAN'S PROPOSAL OF 24-26 OCTOBER 1978 AS THE DATES FOR THE CCPC MEETING.

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